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Julien Belgrave
Representative
Country Office of Trinidad and Tobago
Inter-American Development Bank
17 Alexandra Street,
St. Clair

Dear Mr. Belgrave,

<u>Expression of Interest – Non-Objection for Trinidad and Tobago to Participate in the US\$150,000 Non-Reimbursable Technical Cooperation (TC) Project to Support Migration</u>

I refer to the subject as captioned above. The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) has been in discussion with the Ministry of Planning and Development (MPD) and Ministry of Education (MOE) regarding available resources to support migration activities.

The MOE, having reviewed the offer, is interested in accessing the US\$150,000 Migration TC, with the condition that the IDB works closely with the MOE and the Education Working Group to develop and implement the activities under the proposed Project.

The project is aligned to the current initiative of registration and admission of migrant children of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela into schools in Trinidad and Tobago in September 2024 in compliance with the Immigration (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024. The financial assistance will help with provision of English Language proficiency assessments and support services for migrant students and their assigned schools.

In this regard, the MPD requests non-reimbursable TC funding from the IDB in the amount of US\$150,000. Furthermore, the MPD is requesting that the IDB serve as the Executing Agency for the project given its expertise on the matter.

I look forward to a positive response to this request.

Sincerely,

Permanent Secretary (Ag.)

Ministry of Planning and Development

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